

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1 - 4. (Cancelled)

5. (Currently Amended) A process comprising enriching an extract of *Emblica officinalis*, comprising the steps of :

A) ~~providing~~ dispersing a powdered extract of *Emblica officinalis* in an aqueous solution to form an aqueous suspension of *Emblica officinalis*, said aqueous suspension containing dissolved components of *Emblica officinalis* and water-insoluble components comprising black specks and/or oligomeric and polymeric tannins; and

B) separating the ~~insoluble~~ water-insoluble components from said dissolved components to obtain an enriched aqueous extract of *Emblica officinalis* dissolved components.

6. (Cancelled)

7. (Original) A process according to Claim 5, wherein said separating comprises subjecting said suspension to centrifugation or pressure filtration.

8. (Original) A process according to Claim 5, wherein said separating comprises adding a filter-aid to said aqueous suspension and filtering out the insoluble components of the suspension so as to obtain an enriched aqueous filtrate of *Emblica officinalis*.

9 - 12. (Cancelled)

13. (Currently Amended) A process according to ~~Claim 10~~ Claim 7, comprising subjecting said aqueous suspension to sufficient centrifugation to obtain an enriched extract of *Emblica officinalis* macroscopically substantially to completely devoid of black specks.

14. (Original) A process according to Claim 5, further comprising drying the separated enriched aqueous extract of *Emblica officinalis*.

15. (Cancelled)
16. (Currently Amended) A process according to ~~Claim 15~~ Claim 14, wherein said drying step comprises spray drying or freeze drying.
17. (Currently Amended) A process according to Claim 14, ~~comprising drying said solution~~ wherein said drying of said enriched aqueous extract of *Emblica officinalis* is conducted under conditions of time, temperature and atmosphere so as to inhibit the formation of oligomeric and/or polymeric tannins having a molecular weight of over 1000.
18. (Original) A process according to Claim 16, wherein said drying comprises freeze drying.
- 19 - 39. (Cancelled)
40. (New) A process according to claim 13, wherein said centrifugation is sufficient to produce a composition containing not more than 100 black specks per 500 grams of composition.
41. (New) A process according to claim 13, wherein said centrifugation is sufficient to produce a composition containing not more than 10 black specks per 500 grams of composition.